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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Mayor at the coming election, and will take an early opportunity to make my views known. In the meantime I respectfully solicit your votes.

dec15td JOHN GRANT.

For Mayor.

To the Ratepayers of Victoria City,

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for the position of Mayor. Having served two terms as Councillor of James Bay Ward, and having made municipal institutions a careful study for several years, I feel confident that, if elected, I shall be able to discharge the duties of the position in a constitutional and acceptable manner.

Yours truly,

dec20 td D. W. HIGGINS.

MUNICIPAL.

TENDERS will be received up to 4 o'clock p. m. on

Wednesday, the 28th inst.,

For cambering and gravelling Montreal street, from Niagara street to Dallas Road.

Specifications of the work can be seen daily at the office of the undersigned.

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JAMES D. ROBINSON, City Clerk.

City Hall, 15th Dec., 1887. dec16td.

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ON THE WING.

Movements of People We Know and have Read of.

Mr. Gideon Robertson returned from Vancouver on Thursday.

Mrs. D. W. and Miss Higgins returned from a visit to the mainland on Thursday.

The Rev. Dr. McConnachie, a well known ritualistic of London, is dead.

Joseph Chamberlain and Lord Lansdowne will spend Christmas together in Ottawa.

Bishop Carbery, Roman Catholic, of Hamilton, Ont., died in Dublin last Saturday.

The appointment of Mr. Richard Jones as collector of inland revenue appeals in the Canada *Gazette* of the 10th inst.

Dr. Rob. Morris, poet laureate of the Masonic Order of America, is expected to attend a meeting of the Grand Lodge here next week.

Amongst the arrivals by the Princess Louise last night from Vancouver were Capt John Irving, Conn. Braden, T F Sinclair, Dr Powell, J H Todd, J B Lovell and Frank H Tuck.

Mr. J. W. Horne, of Vancouver, has returned from a three months' trip to Winnipeg and Brandon. He will spend the winter in Southern California.

Mr. C. G. Major, of New Westminster, who met with a painful accident some time out hunting a few weeks ago, has recovered sufficiently to be out and around again. He is about to retire from business and is selling out.

From the Interior.

Hon. Mr. Vernon, who returned from Kamloops last evening, reports that the bridge across the South Thompson will be finished by Mr. Adams by Christmas Day. It has been constructed in very creditable manner and gives general satisfaction. Mr. Stevenson superintended the work. Stages will shortly be placed on the route between Sicamous and Enderby, after which Priest's Valley can be reached in about 35 hours from this city. The winter has so far been unusually mild and stock is in good condition.

Signs of a Bonanza.

Correspondence from Spallumcheen states that some miners sinking a shaft on Mr. Law's mine on Jubilee mountain have brought specimens of ore from a depth of 10 feet which to the naked eye shows a large percentage of native lead and copper; with small specks of magnetic iron. Surface ore from this lead returned 20 per cent of silver and copper, with a small trace of gold by a San Francisco assay. On breaking one of the pieces it was discovered to contain a small pocket of grey copper and is causing great excitement around the "Travellers' Rest." Mr. Law is jubilant over the signs of a coming bonanza.

Provincial Appointments.

Charles Gardner Johnson, Esq., of Vancouver, Deputy Registrar of the County Court of New Westminster, to be his Deputy for the purpose of issuing licenses authorizing the celebration of marriages in the province. Also to be Deputy Registrar of the County Court of New Westminster, to be District Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages, for Burrard Inlet District.

Francis Herbert Tuck, Esq., of Vancouver, barrister-at-law, to be a notary public in and for the province of British Columbia.

Edwin Johnson, Esq., Q. C., of Victoria, to be a Court of Revision and Appeal, under the Assessment Acts, in respect of the assessment of the property of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in the districts of New Westminster, Yale and Kootenay.

An Honorable Move.

The Seattle *Press* of last Wednesday contains a letter from Mr. William Tierney, late of this city, who had a contract in Seattle for grading Mill street, and who was compelled to leave somewhat hurriedly in consequence of the financial straits in which the contract landed him. Mr. Tierney left some accounts unsettled, amongst others being his men's wages. Under date of the 17th inst., Mr. Tierney writes from Vancouver to a gentleman in Seattle in which he relates in an honorable, noble manner, his misfortune, and the effort he is making to satisfy all claimants. He has sold his farm near this city and placed the proceeds thereof in the hands of Mr. Theo. Davie, of this city, to be applied towards liquidating his obligations. Mr. Tierney, in his letter, says: "You can tell my creditors to send their accounts to Theo. Davie, Victoria, who is authorized to settle all claims in my behalf. It is a great and severe blow on me, as I am left without a home and with a large family. I am the greatest loser myself, and if ever I can repay them the balance I will do so. I believe Mr. Davie will send or go over himself, as soon as the courts are finished. Tell all my creditors to send in my claims, giving me credit for what they receive." This refutes the statement, made by the *Colonist* some time since, detrimental to Mr. Tierney.

Jottings from Yale.

YALE, Dec. 22.—The washouts have been repaired, the snow blockades lifted, trains are on time, the weather is delightful, the green grass looks enchanting and all nature, including your humble correspondent, seem to say "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

The examination of our public school was held on Friday last and was fairly attended, the three trustees and the Rev. Mr. Small, Episcopal minister, being among those present. The various classes were examined by Mr. Kinney, teacher of the school, and at the close of the exercises some very interesting recitations were given by the pupils, and instructive addresses by the visitors, when the school was announced dismissed for the holidays to the apparent delight to teacher and pupils.

About $18 had been collected for prizes by two juvenile pupils, Louise Ward and Willie Revsbech. The following are the awards: It will be observed that only two prizes are awarded to each pupil according to merit. Deportment—4th class, Esther Oppenheim; senior III., Willie Eyles; junior III., Rosa Oppenheim; 2nd Primer, Jessie MacQuarrie; 1st Primer, Helen Oppenheim. General Proficiency—4th class, Esther Oppenheim; senior III, Alex. MacQuarrie; junior III, Rosa Oppenheim; 2nd primer, Willie Revsbech; 1st primer, Helen Oppenheim. Special Progress—Reading, Maggie MacQuarrie, Louise Ward, Bessie MacQuarrie, Minnie Eyles, Nellie Ward. Spelling, Alex. MacQuarrie, Bessie MacQuarrie, Louise Ward, Jessie MacQuarrie, Minnie Eyles, Nellie Ward. Writing, George Ward, Emily Eyles, Morton Revsbech. Arithmetic, Emily Eyles, George Ward, Willie Revsbech. Geography, Maggie MacQuarrie. Drawing, Willie Eyles, Morton Revsbech, Rachel Oppenheim.

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES.

Russia and the Allied Powers --The Situation Regarded as Very Critical.

The Bulgarian Question Again Pops Up-Balfour's Irish Bills --London's Gossip.

A CLOSE CALL.

OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—The question of Commercial Union as a plank in the platform of Canadian politics, was tested for the first time in the Dominion in the election for a representative to Parliament in East Northumberland to-day, resulting in the defeat of Dr. Mallory, Liberal and Commercial Unionist, by a majority of fourteen.

BULGARIA POPS UP.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 23.—It is officially denied that Russia has informed the powers that the movements of Russian troops in Poland have ceased. It is a fact, however, that no further displacement of troops is expected during the present winter. Russian diplomats seriously expect some action on the part of Germany, Austria and Italy to induce Prince Ferdinand to withdraw from Bulgaria.

CONTINUES TO BE WARLIKE.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The crisis on the continent shows no sign of ending. Hostile forces are face to face on the frontier and show no inclination to retire, while they are ready to advance at a moment's notice. This attitude exactly represents the relations of the governments concerned at the present moment. Advices from Vienna and Berlin this a. m., show that the outlook continues warlike, although Russia says the military movements in Poland have ceased. This statement is not believed.

BALFOUR'S IRISH BILLS.

In conjunction with Balfour's bill is one for the promoting of higher education in such a manner that will meet approval of the Irish bishops. The other bill will be a measure to provide for the payments to landlords mortgages and other charges on Irish estates by means of advances to landlords, at 3½ per cent. to be paid back in 35 years.

LONDON'S GOSSIP.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Great Eastern has been sold to a metal firm for £16,000. The vessel will be broken up as old metal.

The Marquis of Clanricarde has issued 100 fresh writs of ejectment against tenants of his Woodford estates.

The St. Petersburg *Grashdanin* (semi-official organ) condemns the English government for supporting the triple alliance against Russia. It believes, however, that the visit of Lord Churchill to Russia will influence England's policy. It says Lord Randolph Churchill will, if possible, have an interview with the Czar.

In an interview to-day Kilrain said he would ignore Sullivan's challenge till the latter had fought Mitchell. Kilrain claims the championship. Smith is indignant at Kilrain's assumption of the title, and says he is willing to fight Kilrain to-morrow. Mr. Bull, of Windsor, offers to match Kilrain against Sullivan for $5000 a side.

Sporting circles are agitated over the quarrel between Lord Durham and Sir George Chetwynd. Durham, speaking at a dinner, suggested that Jockey Wood was selling races, and insinuated that the owners of horses ridden by Wood were implicated. Chetwynd considered the insinuation upon himself, and sent a message to Durham demanding an apology or a fight. Durham refused to do either. Chetwynd will appeal to the Jockey club to take action in the matter.

AGAINST SWINEFORD.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Dec. 21.—The case of the State vs. Gov. Swineford, of Alaska, being an action to compel defendant to render an accounting of funds placed in his hands as commissioner of the New Orleans exposition, was decided to-day in favor of plaintiff.

AN ELITE WEDDING.

LONDON, Dec 23.—The wedding presents at Wednesday's wedding of Lady Betty, Lord Lytton's daughter, and G. W. Balfour, were specially elegant and costly. Chief among them were presents from Lord Lytton, consisting of a tiara of diamonds; from Lady Lytton a grand piano. From the bridegroom a chrysoprase necklace, brooch and locket, locket and chain with diamonds, brooch with green garnets and rubies, a diamond and star sapphire ring. The Marquis and Marchioness of Salisbury sent a complete service in silver, a watch and bracelet. From the Earl and Countess of Cowper a magnificent silver inkstand; the Countess of Haddington a silver paper press; the Earl and Countess of Lathom, ring with cat'seye diamond; Ladies Wilbraham and Lord Skelmersdale, an armchair; Mrs. Hubert, a diamond and pearl ring; Earl and Countess of Clarendon, an old tortoise shell and silver snuff-box; Mrs. Lambert, a brooch of diamonds; the Kenilworth household, four silver candlesticks, three trays and dumb waiters, table and silver, and a hot water can from the gardener of Knebworth; the workingmen sent a coal scuttle and lamp; M. Defalbe, a diamond brooch; Sir A. and Lady Paget, a dinner service in glass; Lady Ampthim, French China dessert service; Sir Henry Bulwer, old Worcester dessert service; Miss Mary Anderson, a pair of silver candlesticks and silver cream jug and a sugar basin; Lieut.-Colonel Hamilton, a necklace.

GEN. MILLER IMPLICATED.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—A warrant has been granted in the Bow-street police court for the arrest of Gen. Miller, head of the Clan Na-Gael society, and Melville, formerly agent of the society of London, who are charged with being connected with the dynamite conspiracy in which Callan and Harkins are alleged to have been engaged.

FAVORABLE REPORTS.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—Virchow, who has been in attendance on the Crown Prince, has arrived from San Remo with cheerful tidings. He reports that the condition of the Prince is extraordinarily favorable, and that there is no longer the slightest ground for anxiety, and that his voice, although requiring care and restraint in its use, has gained remarkably in strength and clearness.

THE CROWN PRINCE'S CONDITION.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—A dispatch to the *Frie Presse* from Milan says: That on the advice of English physicians the German Crown Prince's neck has been cupped and Dr. Krause is having the blood thus obtained analyzed at his laboratory in order to ascertain whether it contains an excess of sugar, or whether it is in a healthy state. If it proves to contain much sugar, the physicians will decide on which course to adopt in the treatment advised by Dr. Freund, of Vienna, which has in view a reduction of sugar in the blood to a normal condition.

A SAD AFFAIR.

FINDLAY, Ohio, Dec. 23.—An explosion in a gas pipe in the house of Jas. Lundy, yesterday, shattered the building and buried his wife and three small children in the ruins. One child was killed outright. Mrs. Lundy died late last night. Condition of the others is critical.

TERRIBLE LOSS OF LIFE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—A letter received here from the U. S. Consul at Barbadoes reports that the ship Alfred Watts, which left Philadelphia October 8th for Hongkong, encountered a hurricane October 18th and 28 of her crew were swept overboard and drowned. Harry Mangus and Oscar Linn, the remainder of the crew, drifted about on the wrecked ship until November 18th, when the bark Lizzie Perry rescued them and carried them to Barbadoes. The rescuing vessel has since been wrecked.

MANNING DEAD.

An Albany dispatch of the afternoon of the 22nd, states that Manning had died.

Hon. Daniel Manning, of New York city, was Mr. Cleveland's first Financial Secretary, and assumed the charge of the Treasury Department on the 4th of March, 1885. At the time of his appointment he was hardly considered as having national fame; although he had for years previously the reputation of being an able an astute political factor. He at once developed rare talent as financial agent. He always enjoyed the confidence and esteem of the President, who, upon the occasion of his first tender of resignation, used every means to prevail upon him to retain his post, offering him a year's leave for travel, in order that he might regain his health—greatly impaired by continuous and conscientious work—to such an extent, finally, that he felt compelled to insist upon the acceptance of his resignation. A few months sojourn in Europe so restored him that on his return friends felt assured of his final recovery, and the recent fatal termination of his illness was quite unexpected and a great shock to them. His official life, though brief, has ranked him at par with most of his predecessors; at a premium over many of them. On the "silver question," he writes in his annual report Dec. 7, 1885: "Equivalence in domestic trade is practicable. But that equivalence is now imperilled by the continuing coinage and increasing number of the silver dollars. This is much more than a deliberate judgment of the Secretary of the Treasury. It is attested to him from the centres of trade in all parts of the country, as much from the South as from the North, as much from the West as the East, all, and the still larger masses of the workingmen urge the stopping of the silver coinage now."

EXPENSIVE FUEL.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The coal question was a very serious one last week. With only two or three kinds in first hands, and a majority of the yards empty, both large and small consumers began to fear a famine. To some of them, although prices advanced almost every day, it was no longer a question of cost, but a question of coal. Of course if it comes to the point of fire or no fire, there is plenty of wood round about, so the fears of small consumers were groundless. When coal gets dearer than wood, people will burn wood. Receipts of coal at this port thus far this month are something over 40,000 tons. At the present writing there is no coast and very little foreign coal in first hands, and very little coast in retailers' yards. Coal is now scarcer than for many years, and prices are abnormally high. Of course these extreme prices will naturally attract coal to this port, though when the scarcity will be lifted is a question. In the mean time prices may again be marked up.

THE DEADLY BLIZZARD.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 23.—Additional details of the recent blizzard were received early this morning. The number of deaths by freezing and starvation is now estimated at sixty. Two men, named John Henry and John Coller, *en route* to Texas, left Ashland an hour before the storm began. Their bodies were found the next day on the prairie, five miles west of the town, frozen stiff. A team which they had with them was found fully twenty miles south; the animals had drifted with the wind and becoming exhausted sank into the snow and died. A gentleman from Greely County gives even more startling accounts. Three men left Horace Greely County intending to go to their claims a short distance. They wandered around all night and finally one of them, a Mr. Gibbs, sank exhausted in the snow. His companions could not induce him to continue the tramp in search of shelter, and finally were compelled to leave him. His body was found next day. The other two men kept on and finally reached a dug out where they took shelter; both had their arms, feet and ears frozen and cannot live. Sad tales come from all sides

A REPRESENTATIVE DEAD.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Representative Moffett, of Michigan, died this morning at 7 o'clock at Providence hospital. The cause of the death was blood poisoning, resulting from a carbuncle on the face.

HONORABLY ACQUITTED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Dr. St. John, Levi Dell and Oscar Fryer, who have been on trial for assisting McGarigle, the boodler, to escape from jail, have been acquitted, the judge instructing the jury to bring in such verdict.

RUSSIA AND AUSTRIA.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Berlin *Poste* says the imposing force of cavalry concentrated by Russia on the Gallician frontier would enable Russia, should war be declared, to invade Austria at once and interfere seriously with the mobilization of Austrian forces and otherwise do great damage, giving her all the advantage at the beginning of the campaign. The *Poste* complains that Austria's preparations are so far altogether insufficient to stem the tide of invasion and her unpreparedness only prolongs the crisis without re-establishing the equilibrium of the forces.

RYAN THE FAVORITE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Advices from Panama report that ex-Senator Creighton, convicted of jury bribery, is in Nicaragua.

Paddy Ryan, ex-champion of the United States, will meet Jack McAuliffe, of this city, to-night in a contest to a finish for $5,000. The betting is even to one in favor of Ryan to-day.

One more juror was obtained this morning, making eight secured thus far, to try Clara Belle McDonald for attempting the life of her father-in-law.

TO BE OR NOT TO BE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—An Ottawa special says an important subject which will come up at this session of Parliament may be legislation in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway, and some steps, judging from the unsettled state of affairs in Manitoba and the the Northwest Territory, must be taken to break or buy up the monopoly the Canadian Pacific holds, enabling it to prevent the construction of railway extensions to the international boundary line. Despite the contradictions given, negotiations have been pending between the C. P. Railway Co. and the Government with a view to the latter absorbing the road.

VOORHEES WORKING HARD.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Delegate Voorhees, of Washington Territory, is doing all in his power to secure the consideration of the bill for the admission of Washington Territory as a state. The political situation utterly prevents the admission of any Territory before the next presidential election, and Mr. Voorhees has had to yield unwillingly which delays the admission until after that event.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 23.—Early this morning Flashman & Co.'s fancy goods, C. Yaegers, and Rosenbaum & Co., dry goods, on Market street, were totally burned. The loss is fully $500,000. Four firemen were severely injured.

During the progress of the fire two firemen were buried under the falling floor and were severely burned and bruised. Ward, another fireman, was overcome by smoke and fell from a ladder. His condition is critical. The total loss will be $300,000; insurance only $125,000. The fire is supposed to have caught from a lighted cigar stump.

EX-SECRETARY MANNING DYING.

ALBANY, Dec. 22.—Ex-Secretary Manning continues to sink slowly. He may survive until this afternoon, but hardly until the night. He is conscious when aroused, but far the most part of the time appears to be in a drowsy state. His family is at his bedside awaiting the end.

MARINE OFFICERS ALARMED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Maritime circles are somewhat exercised over the rumor that there is to be a wholesale dismissal of English captains and under officers, now commanding the Belgian steamships, who are to be supplied by German officers.

STILL ALIVE.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23.—9 a. m.—Manning is still alive but no hopes for his recovery.

EARTHQUAKE.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 23.—An earthquake shock, lasting three seconds, was felt here this morning; no damage done.

DEADLY WORK OF ROBBERS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—James Miller, real estate dealer, 70 years old, was found lying dead this morning on the floor of his home. Beside him lay his wife unconscious and drying. On her face and head were several gashes. It is supposed the couple were attacked and beaten by robbers.

REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—It is a well known maxim that when a premier resigns office then the individual members of his cabinet have not the opportunity of resigning; but they are out of office by his act and much more are they out of office by his death. Therefore (if the late Mr. Smithe was Premier at the time of his death) the present Minister of Education had not the chance of resigning one office to accept another, and so the special act of this province does not apply to his case. No wonder then that although he was defeated on a main principle of his Education Bill last session, he still could afford to cling to office, seeing that he represents nobody but himself. Why does he not try for Comox? He appears to be afraid of Westminster. J. N. MUIR.

Victoria, Dec. 23.

Christmas and New Year's Goods.

In our advertising columns Messrs. J. B. Ferguson & Co. call attention to their very extensive stock of stationery and fancy goods. In leather goods imported direct from Germany they have screens, photograph albums, photo easels, ladies' handbags, etc. In a large stock of brass goods there are plaques representing the Norman and Roman coats of arms, plaques with raised flowers, easel plaques, ink stands, wick holders, thermometers, writing sets, tobacco and cigar sets. A fine variety of gold pens and pencils adorn the show cases, while in plush goods, ladies' and gents' toilet sets, shaving and manicure sets, grace the show windows. Illustrated books of the mono tint process and German lithography command the admiration of lovers of art, while in standard literary works will be found Waverly, Dickens in 15 volume editions, illustrated, $10, E. P. Roe, Irving, Garret, Thackeray, Cooper, Macaulay, Carlyle, Ruskin, Goethe, Chamber's Encyclopedia, and so on *ad infinitum*. A large stock of school books, blank books, ink, paper, etc., is always on hand.

Important.

The goods damaged by water in consequence of the fire in the Arcade building will be sold at private sale commencing on Tuesday at Spencer's Arcade. Brussels Carpets, Tapestry Carpet, Felt and Hemp Carpet, Rope Matting, Kidderminster and Three-ply Carpets, Hearthrugs, Mats.

Men's and Boys' Hats, Caps, Ties, Gloves, Shirts, Socks, Underwear; also the goods damaged by the smoke. All goods will be marked in plain figures and sold for cash only.

—The steamer Sardonyx, Capt. Meyer, arrived from Portland Thursday evening after an unusually smooth passage. Her freight was made up as follows: C P N Co, 35 pks; H Cheeley, 221 pks; J & A Clayburn, 709 pks; McLachlan Bros, 200 pks; M H Smith, 200 pks; Clarke & Co, Vancouver, 157 pks; R Ferguson, 21 pks; C McDonough, Westminster, 50 pks; J A Hall, Westminster, 47 pks; A R Johnson & Co, Westminster, 100 pks; Hood Bros, Nanaimo, 100 pks; R H Cassidy, 60 pks.

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Victoria, Friday, Dec. 23, 1887.

A DOUBLE VACANCY.

By reference to another column it will be observed that Mr. E. G. Prior has been presented with a requisition, asking him to become a candidate for the vacancy in the Commons representation. In accordance with said requisition Mr. Prior has consented to become a candidate. His position as one of the city's representatives in the Local Legislature will therefore become vacant. Already the names of several gentlemen have been mentioned as probable aspirants for for position. Electors will do well to withhold promises or pledges for a few days until it is definitely settled who the candidates are to be.

NEW PARTY LINES.

In the east there is much speculation as to the course to be adopted by the Liberal party in future. The Montreal *Witness* in a recent issue is under the impression that as a party the Liberals are on the verge of disruption. Since the result of the general election, last February, and the retirement of the Hon. Edward Blake, the party has undoubtedly become somewhat discouraged and lost heart. The experiment of modifying the platform in regard to the vital issue of free-trade vs. protection, or rather of revenue-tariff vs. "national policy," proved a conspicuous failure. Nor can it be doubted that a rigid adherence to the old programme would at that time have proved still more disastrous. Under the baneful influences which date back to the Pacific Scandal, if indeed they were not operative from the date of union, the constituencies were so far debauched that the party having the money could, as a rule, find enough purchaseable votes in a majority of constituencies, to control the election. Under the new, and if possible worse device, of buying whole constituencies with the borrowed public funds, the case of the Opposition is well nigh hopeless. Hence the languor, premonitory of dissolution, which has seized upon the Liberal party. But with the upbreak of the old Liberal party, that also of the older Toryism is certain in the estimation of many, as well as the end of the party system in its present shape. The resignation of Mr. Blake, and the relaxation of Opposition pressure which followed, are destined to prove no less disastrous to the party in power than to their opponents. Their disorganization and dissolution may come more slowly, but are equally sure. The excitement of battle is the life of partyism. Not that there is much room to hope for any more rational system of government. The ranks of both parties will fall asunder and to some extent commingle, only to be reformed on new lines and with new battle cries. What the coming issues will be is a question of the greatest importance to the future of Canada.

THE FISHERIES CONFERENCE.

The Hon. Joseph Chamberlain is in Ottawa, where he will be the guest of Lord Lansdowne until after the holidays. Sir Chas. Tupper has also returned to the Capital; so also has the Ministers of Justice and Marine and Fisheries with their retinue of secretaries. Whilst there is no definite information as to the success which so far has attended the efforts of the commissioners in the important work in which they are engaged, nor is it likely that for some time to come the public will be enlightened as to an amicable settlement being reached, it is idle to speculate about the rumored "hitches" in connection with these negotiations. Whilst in Ottawa a conference will be held between Mr. Chamberlain and the Dominion Government with the view of discussing difficulties which already have arisen as well as those certain yet to loom up. Not the least embarrassing circumstance is the triangular form which the conference would naturally assume. That the American Commissioners would refuse to accept the Canadian interpretation of the Treaty of 1818; that the British Plenipotentiary, if Mr. Chamberlain rightly describes himself by that term, would be unprepared to insist on that interpretation to the point of rupture, and would seek to obviate the danger by some new convention; that Sir Charles would propose and Mr. Bayard decline a new and limited form of reciprocity by way of compensation for fishery privileges, all this might be pretty safely taken as a foregone conclusion. But whether, this point being reached, the result will be an absolute failure of the negotiations, or the concession of commercial and fishery privileges, one or both, to the United States fishermen, in return for free admission of Canadian fish to American markets, the British Government undertaking to reconcile Canada to the arrangement, is as yet matter for conjecture. That the issue lies between the former alternatives and some modification of the latter seems tolerably certain, though the yielding of the commercial privileges without compensation must be regarded as possible.

POLITICAL POINTERS.

Although no official announcement has yet been made, it is freely stated by parties who claim to know the ropes, that at the last full meeting of the Privy Council, Mr. Royal, M. P., was appointed to succeed Dewdney ast Lieut.-Governor of the Northwest Territories. What has been provided for Mr. Dewdney is not stated.

The London *Canadian Gazette* has been officially notified by cable from Montreal that the difficulties between the transcontinental lines has been settled, the Canadian Pacific being put on an equal footing with its rivals.

The following interesting statistics relative to the last general election have been issued from the department at Ottawa: The total number of voters on the electoral lists of Canada is 994,914, an actual increase over 1882 of 190,327. The total vote polled for the Government was 370,342, for the Opposition 354,714. The total Government majority was 15,628. The average majority for the Government candidates was 307, that of the Opposition 351. The number of members elected with majorities under 100 was 34 Government and 25 Opposition.

An agitation in favor of a divorce court for Canada has arisen. It is somewhat of an anomaly that there are divorce courts in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia, while there are none for the other provinces. The secret of the distinction, however, is that the provinces mentioned had their courts established before Confederation. The Dominion Parliament alone can now establish such courts. But it is not probable that it will exercise its powers. The Senate would die of ennui were the power to enquire into divorce cases transferred to another tribunal.

Concerning the Crofters' colonization scheme in this province a London dispatch states that some surprise has been expressed here that British Columbia is the first to secure the co-operation of the British Government for state-aided immigration, among the number of big schemes previously pressed on the ministry. The explanation is that the ground was well prepared for Begg's proposals by previous schemes of Crofter emigration submitted to the ministry. The Crofters, however, would rather deal with the Government than with a private company. It is rumored that Mr. Chamberlain, after a visit to the Crofters, urged their migration on the Imperial Government.

The election of Mr. Cochrane for East Northumberland, over Dr. Mallory, the late representative in the Commons, to those familiar with that constituency is no surprise. The riding is overwhelmingly Conservative since it was jerrymandered in '82. From 1874 to 1878 the late Mr. J. L. Biggar, Liberal, was the representative who was defeated in 1778 by Mr. Keeler, by sixty-three of a majority. On his death Mr. D. Crouther, Liberal, carried the riding by 190 majority. The redistribution act added to the riding the village of Hastings, thoroughly Conservative, increasing the majority on that side of politics by 400. Dr. Mallory, Liberal, carried the riding last Feb. by twelve over Mr. Cochrane, who is now reported to have reversed that majority to a minority of 14 votes. Both parties agreed to make Commercial Union the test question. If that was the sole issue it is evident the feeling in favor of what some term as "the fad," is stronger than its opponents give it credit for.

It is understood in well informed circles that the Hon. Jos. Chamberlain, the British Fishery Commissioner, will be asked to represent Carleton County in the Dominion Parliament, and if he consents he will be elected by acclamation, as Sir John is secure in Kingston. He does not want Carleton and the seat will be tendered Mr. Chamberlain as a compliment. It is said that all the local Tory aspirants have expressed themselves to Sir John as agreeable to the proposed honor to Mr. Chamberlain as being the only plan to settle the rival claims. If Mr. Chamberlain consents there will be no opposition, and as it is expected he will be in America for the most part of the winter, he can take his seat in the Dominion Parliament and hold it for the best part of the session. It is calculated as the representative of a Canadian constituency it will materially add to his influence in Washington in the fishery negotiations. Carleton is the banner Conservative constituency of Canada.

The following timely remarks anent election corruption appear in a recent issue of the Toronto *Week*: It is something, in the midst of too much evidence of widespread corruption, to be saved the deep humiliation of having it declared by a court of justice that the seat of the Premier of the Dominion was won by bribery or fraud. This gratification, so far as it is a moral feeling, will, however, be greatly modified by the knowledge that the unwonted purity was in this case the result of a kind of commercial compact between the party wire pullers, rather than of any genuine abhorrence of corrupt practices on their part, or on that of the electorate. But when party canvassers can be brought to feel that it will pay better, even on the low ground of expediency, to refrain from debauching voters a considerable advance will have been gained. The stringent election law has begun, negatively, to educate the people in morality, by delivering the weak from temptation. It can scarcely become a schoolmaster, in a direct and positive way, until it punishes the taker as well as the giver of bribes.

THE PROVINCIAL POLICE FORCE

To the Editor of The Times:

Sir:—The revelations made at the enquiry in the case of Regina vs. Ritchie, in the Donald police court last week, will, I trust, lead the Provincial Government to take steps to put the police in the province on a more effective footing. British Columbia has made such advances in population and civilization during the last few years that a properly organized and trained force is absolutely necessary. The time has gone by when men without any special training could be thrust into a position of such responsibility, totally regardless of their fitness for the duties of constables. Here, in this town of Kamloops, there should be at least two constables *in uniform*; indeed all the constables should be obliged to wear uniforms. Our late constable has resigned, and an attempt is being made to get the appointment for a man who, it is publicly stated, had to leave the police force in Victoria some year or so ago. I trust the government will look keenly into this man's antecedents. Then there are not a sufficient number of constables in the country districts. Take Donald for instance, the centre of C. P. R. works, on which upwards of 1000 men are employed during the summer, and a large number throughout the year. Visits should be made to the different camps, so as to show the men that they cannot, with impunity, break the law. Men seem to do just as they like when they know that a constable has to be sent 50 or 100 miles to make an arrest. Only last week a stabbing case occurred in one of the camps near the Summit. It is in no unfriendly spirit I write this letter calling the attention of the Provincial Government to the present condition of the country. Next spring, when the season opens, a large number of miners, many of them no doubt lawless characters, will certainly come into the mining camp. I trust provision will be made to meet the condition of things we must look forward to. The proper course then for the Provincial Government to take will be to thoroughly reorganize the police force; to place it under a Superintendent for the whole province; to choose men who are young, active and intelligent, and not to send a man to take charge of a station until he has received a proper training. The constables should report directly to headquarters, and not be appointed locally, or on any petition signed by the people of the district he is to be stationed in. There is a petition at present being hawked about Kamloops to influence the government to appoint the man I have already referred to. I asked one of the leading inhabitants here why he had signed the petition. He said he made it a rule to sign all petitions that were brought to him! I am sure many have signed in the same way; such facts need no comment, they speak for themselves. Vigilance.

Kamloops, 16th Dec., 1887.

A SEASONABLE OBSERVATION.

To the Editor of The Times:

Sir,—I observe Saint David is soliciting votes from door to door, house to house, for the position of Mayor. This is not consistent with the ballot, the purpose of which is to enable electors to vote secretly and independently. Saint David's violation of the spirit of the act should be resented by the electors as not being constitutional. The other candidate may also be soliciting votes, to whom also these remarks will apply with equal force. A Ballot Voter.

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—One way to tell whether or not an egg is good is to throw it at an anarchist. You can judge the quality of the egg by the quality of the anarchist's remarks.

English Window Glass, 16 oz., all sizes; also Stained and Enamelled Glass, at Muirhead and Mann's Sash and Door Factory.

Eastern Canadian News.

The charred body of the man Avery, burned in McMillan's mill, Winnipeg, has been found in the *debris*.

Rev. Mr. Pitblado, pastor of St. Andrew's church, Winnipeg, has received a call to a church in San Francisco at a salary of $5,000.

Owing to the fire at the gas works, Winnipeg, the city will be without gas till Christmas.

Rev. Mr. Silcox, of the Congregational church of Winnipeg, has accepted a call to San Diego, Cal.

Sir Charles says the fact that the Fisheries Commission has adjourned to January 4th, indicates that hopes of a settlement are yet entertained. He thinks a satisfactory settlement will be made with Manitoba.

The Canadian Engine and Locomotive works, Kingston, are now controlled by Dubbs & Co., of Glasgow.

The excitement in Toronto over the Central bank failure continues. Many of the shareholders will be left penniless.

The Ontario legislature is called for January 25th.

The children of Zealand, who was killed in a railroad accident at St. Thomas last May, will receive $15,000 from the Grand Trunk.

THE POLICE UNIFORMS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—Can you inform me who received the contract for the Police clothing; also who made them? I understood that Messrs. A. McLean & Co. had received the contract to have them made up in the East, and now I hear that Mr. Roberts of this city made them. Please answer and oblige A CITIZEN.

HOW THE CITY REVENUE IS EXPENDED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR:—Surely the city treasury must hold out well if we can judge of its abundance by the extraordinary and unnecessary works carried on under the management of Coun. Styles, as Chairman of the Street Committee, in and around his own property, and that of his particular friends. Ever since he was elected to the Council he has been steadily to work in his own interest by putting the streets, about his property in first class order, and having new sidewalks laid, and on several occasions taking up good, although old, sidewalks and laying new ones; and even to-day he has the sidewalk gang tearing up a very good sidewalk on both sides of Pandora street, near the Presbyterian Church, and laying a new one, while in many parts of the city numerous ratepayers cannot even get a plank to walk on to keep them out of the mud. Councillor Styles is rather an expensive member of the Council, and it would be quite interesting to the ratepayers to know the exact amount of dollars that grasping gentleman has had expended on streets, sidewalks, electric lights, box drains, etc., all in and about as near as possible to what he calls "my 'ouse." Ratepayers generally are not opposed to a councillor keeping one eye on the part of the city he resides in, so long as he keeps the other eye on the balance of the city. But when a man like Councillor Styles keeps both eyes on his own interest, and both hands in the city treasury to carry it out, it is time he gave place to a less selfish man.

ROUGH GRIT.

Christmas Presents.

Those wishing above would do well to send their orders at one to insure their being in time and to prevent disappointment to W. H. Pennock, Practical Jeweller & Diamond Setter. Gold plating and general repairs. Dehny's Block, upstairs, Government St. Best Quality, Latest Styles, Reasonable Prices. *

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Quesnelle Quartz Mining Company
(LIMITED.)

Location of Works, Hixon Creek, B.C.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the Trustees of said Company, held on the 28th November, 1887, an Assessment of One Cent per share was levied upon the capital stock of said Company, payable December 24th, at the office of the Company, Quesnelle, B. C.

Any stock upon which said assessment shall remain unpaid on the 24th January, 1888, shall be deemed delinquent and will be duly advertised for sale at public auction and unless payment shall be made before, will be sold on the 15th day of February, 1888, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of the sale.

W. A. JOHNSTON, Secretary.
Quesnelle, B. C., Dec. 15, 1887. de22 dw 4w

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot 12 and Part of Lot 25, Oakland Estate, being part of Section XXIX-XXX, Vict. Dist.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of Charles Fellows, late of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, to the above mentioned property, bearing date the 8th day of June, 1883, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate. Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date thereof.

CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria,
21st December, 1887. de21 1m

B. C. Milling and Mining Co.,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE is hereby given that the following described Shares in the Capital Stock of the above named Company have been sold by public auction, according to law, to cover Assessment No. 16 and interest and expenses, and that the certificates therefor have been and now stand cancelled, namely:

John Irving, Certificate No. 949, for 1000 shares; George A. Keefer, No. 1944, 100 shares.

The public are cautioned not in any wise to negotiate any of the above certificates or shares.

GEO. A. BARGISON,
Secretary.
Victoria, B. C., Dec. 17, 1887. dec19 D&W 1w

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Heavy White do. 25c to 60c.
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Full range of Ladies' and Children's Hosiery, from 15c to 75c per pair.
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Notices.

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NOTICE is hereby given that a General Meeting of the British Columbia Fire Insurance Company will be held at their office, Wharf street, in the city of Victoria, on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, 1888, at the hour of three o'clock p. m., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report. By order. E. WILDE,
dec9 td Manager.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate and Effects of WILLIAM BACHELOR, commonly known as FREDERICK REYNOLDS, deceased.

ALL PERSONS indebted to this Estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith, and all persons who have any claims against the said Estate are required to send the same, on or before the 31st day of January, 1888, to

MESSRS. DAVIE & POOLEY,
Solicitors for
Messrs. John D. Bryant and William McKeon,
Executors.
Dated Victoria, 30th November, 1887. nov30

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Legislature, of the Province of British Columbia, the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will apply for leave to introduce and pass a bill enabling them to construct a branch line from a point on their railway between Esquimalt and Goldstream, to a point on the north shore of the Straits of Fuca, between Pedder Bay and Otter Point.

Dated at Victoria, the 29th day of November, A. D., 1887.

CHARLES WILSON,
nov 29 td Solicitor for the applicants.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF JOHN THOMPSON GALBRAITH, late of Parson's Bridge, Merchant, deceased. Creditors are requested to forward their claims and debtors to pay their accounts, to the undersigned.

Dated 22nd November, 1887

J. ROLAND HETT
Solicitor for Robert L. T. Galbraith, executor of the will of the deceased.
Chancery Lane, Victoria. Nov 22 td

NOTICE.

KING TYE CO. beg to inform the public that they have secured the services of L. MONSKOW from October 17th, 1887, to act with LEONG KEE as Interpreter on behalf of the said firm. KING TYE CO.
Victoria, B. C. Oct. 21, 1887. oct21

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot No. 112 in the City of Victoria.

A CERTIFICATE of Indefeasible Title to the above mentioned lot will be issued to William A. Elliott on the 9th day of March, 1888, unless in the meantime a valid objection be made to the undersigned, in writing, by some person claiming an estate or interest in said lot or some part thereof.

CHAS. J. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office,
Victoria, 8th December, 1887. dec9 td

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lots No. 658, 659 and 660 in the City of Victoria.

WHEREAS the Certificate of Title of the Trustees of the Pandora Street Victoria Congregation of the Methodist Church of Canada, to the above mentioned Lots, bearing date the 25th day of February, 1875, has been lost, and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate; Notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing, within one month from the date hereof.

CHAS. JAS. LEGGATT,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria,
14th December, 1887. dec14 1m

Notice of Private Bills.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction and operation of a line of railway commencing at a point at or near Michel Creek, Crow's Nest Pass, Kootenay District, thence by Elk River to the Kootenay River, thence by way of Cranbrook and the Moyie Pass and Goat River to the lower Kootenay River, in the Province of British Columbia.

EBERTS & TAYLOR,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Dated 6th December, 1887.
Victoria, B. C. dec17 td

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the firm of J. C. Jones & Co., Brickmakers, James Island, has this day made an assignment of all its goods and effects in trust for the benefit of its several creditors to J. C. Devlin, Victoria, to whom all claims against the said firm must be presented on or before the 20th day of February, 1888.

Victoria, Dec. 19, 1887. dec19 2m

Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company.

LAND DEPARTMENT.

Notice to Claimants under the "Act Relating to the Island Railway, the Graving Dock and Railway Lands of the Province."

The Company is now prepared to issue Conveyances of Title to all Claimants entitled to the same under the provisions of the above Act, and who have fulfilled the requirements of the British Columbia "Land Act, 1884."

R. DUNSMUIR,
President.

JOHN TRUTCH,
Land Commissioner.
Victoria, B. C., July 25th, 1887. july26

Quesnelle Quartz Mining Company
[LIMITED.]

Location of Works, Hixon Creek, B.C

NOTICE.

THERE IS DELINQUENT UPON THE FOLLOWING described Stock on account of assessment levied on the 28th of October, 1887, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders, as follows:

Names.	No. of Certificate.	No. of Shares.	Amount.
J. C. Chenall	1704	780	$7 80
H. A. Munn	1573	200	2 00
W. Smith	1573	600	6 00
R. W. Harvey	1257	500	5 00
" "	1259	850	8 50
" "	1460	850	8 50
G. A. Keefer	1129	500	5 00
" "	1514	1500	15 00
" "	1267	1000	10 00
R. McKeridge	1661	100	1 00
" "	1662	100	1 00
" "	1663	100	1 00
" "	1664	100	1 00
" "	1665	100	1 00
" "	1666	500	5 00
A. E. Green	531	300	3 00
" "	914	200	2 00
Edith Green	490	400	4 00

And in accordance with law so many shares of each parcel of said stock as may be necessary will be sold at the office of the Company, Quesnelle, B. C., on the 8th day of November, 1887, at the hour of 2 p.m., to pay said delinquent assessments thereon, together with costs of advertising and expenses of the sale.

W. A. JOHNSTON,
Secretary.
Quesnelle, B. C., Nov. 10, 1887. nov18 D&W2w

Sale Postponed.

By order of the Directors, the above sale is postponed until Friday, December 23rd.

W. A. JOHNSTON,
Secretary Quesnelle Quartz Mining Co.
Quesnelle, Nov. 29, 1887. dec1

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W. D. HUGHES,
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Winter Arrangement.

TIME TABLE No. 5

To take effect at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1st, 1887.

Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

Going North.

No. 1 Passenger Daily.	No. 3 Mixed, Wednesdays and Saturdays.		No. 5 Passenger Daily.
Leave.	Leave.	STATIONS.	Arrive.
9.01 AM	1.00 PM	VICTORIA	4.15 PM
9.41 "	1.45 "	GOLDSTREAM	3.35 "
9.56 "	1.59 "	SHAWNIGAN LAKE	3.20 "
10.46 "	2.49 "	COBBLE HILL	2.30 "
11.03 "	3.06 "	MAPLE LEAF	2.13 "
11.13 "	3.16 "	DUNCANS	2.03 "
11.28 "	3.31 "	SOMENOS	1.48 "
11.38 "	3.41 "	CHEMAINUS	1.38 "
12.15 PM	4.18 PM	WELLINGTON	1.00 "
12.30 PM	4.33 PM	NANAIMO	12.45 "

Going South.

No. 2 Passenger Daily.	No. 4 Mixed, Wednesdays and Saturdays.		No. 6 Passenger Daily.
Leave.	Leave.	STATIONS.	Arrive.
1.00 PM	9.00 AM	NANAIMO	5.15 PM
1.15 "	9.15 "	WELLINGTON	5.00 "
1.24 "	9.24 "	CHEMAINUS	4.51 "
1.34 "	9.34 "	DUNCANS	4.41 "
1.49 "	9.49 "	MAPLE LEAF	4.26 "
1.59 "	9.59 "	COBBLE HILL	4.16 "
2.16 "	10.16 "	SHAWNIGAN LAKE	3.59 "
2.56 "	10.56 "	GOLDSTREAM	3.19 "
3.10 "	11.10 "	VICTORIA	3.05 "

CHEAP RATES.

Until further notice Return Tickets for one and a half ordinary fare will be issued to any point on the line, good for three days, including the day of issue.

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(LIMITED.)

TIME TABLE NO. 9.

Taking effect November 1, 1887.

Burrard Inlet Route

VICTORIA TO Vancouver and Moodyville,
Daily except Monday, at 2 o'clock.
Vancouver to Victoria,
Daily except Monday, at 12:30 o'clock, or on arrival of C. P. Railway train.

New Westminster Route.

LEAVE VICTORIA
For New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island,
Tuesday, at 9 o'clock; Thursday and Sunday at 7 o'clock.
Plumper Pass
Sunday at 7 o'clock.
Leaves New Westminster for Victoria
Monday at 13 o'clock; Wednesday and Friday at 7 a.m.
For Plumper Pass,
Monday, at 13 o'clock.

Steamers for Chilliwhack and way landings leave New Westminster every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

Barclay Sound Route.

Steamer Maude Leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports Dec. 29.

The Company reserves the right of changing this Time Table at any time without notification.

G. A. CARLETON, GEN. AGENT. JOHN IRVING, MANAGER.

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The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Friday, Dec. 23, 1887.

DIED.

PITTS—At the residence of his son, in this city, on the 23rd inst., John Henry Pitts, aged 70.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Mr. W. J. George, of Whidby Island, died at Port Madison on Tuesday last.

—Prime Findon Haddocks—Fell & Co.*

—Notice the new ad. of Victoria Business College to-day. *

D. Chisholm, M. P., arrived from New Westminster, *via* Nanaimo, to-day.

—Inspector of Fisheries Mowatt, has deposited 800,000 sockeye salmon eggs in Nanaimo river.

—For your Christmas glassware and crockery John Weiler's is the place. *

Gladstone Cigars.

—A special line of fancy cups and saucers, at John Weiler's, Fort street. *

—The boat race between C. Bush and Capt. Hansen has been postponed until next month on account of the illness of the latter.

Really! The Creme de la Creme.

—If you want variety go to T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

—Mr. Moody's parting advice to Pittsburg Christians was to open the churches every evening and have coffee served in a reading and smoking room to be attached.

—Xmas Nos. of London News and Graphic, at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

—Pass this by, but do not pass by Waitt & Co.'s stores without going in to examine their stock. *

EASTERN TOWNSHIP'S BUTTER at Neufelder & Ross'. *

A department in French has been opened in the Victoria Business College. Parisian French taught. *

—The following shot is from the Vancouver *News*: Although the *Colonist* does not often favor its readers with anything original which is worth reading, yet long and constant practice with the shears has been a good education for its exchange editor.

—For all things nice for Christmas go to Fell's. Bon bons, new fruits and nuts.*

—It has been necessary to secure the services of five instructors in the Victoria Business College on account of the liberal patronage. *

—Willie Bond was seen on the street to-day, and judging from the agonizing workings of his mouth was muttering to himself some of the large words to be hatched to-night on the subject, "What I DON'T know about Commercial Union."

—Monthly lectures on commercial law at the Victoria Business College by the best talent in the Province. *

—Grammar has been added to the business course of the Victoria Business College without extra cost. *

—The grand opening of the Victoria Business College and Night School will take place on Tuesday evening, Jan. 3, 1888, when the business course will properly begin. *

—Plush Toilet Sets, Cuff and Collar Boxes, and many other beautiful articles for Xmas time, at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

—They eclipse everything! What do? The Plush Piano Scarfs at Waitt's Music Store. *

—Cassell's Illustrated Family Bibles, varying in price from $3 to $25, at T. N. Hibben & Co.'s *

Tony Cigars.

—On to-morrow, Monday and Tuesday the 26th and 27th inst., and Monday and Tuesday the 2nd and 3rd, the Provincial Government offices will be closed.

—A meeting of Vancouver-Quadra Lodge, No. 2, of the Masonic order, was held on Wednesday evening when the following officers were elected: Morris Moss, W M; Munro Miller, S W; P Æ Irving, J W; Mr Becker, Treasurer; A B Erskine, Secretary, and J C Luker, Tyler. The installation will be held on St. John's Day, (Tuesday next) the 27th inst., by Grand Lodge officers.

—Come out to-night and see the splendid display of Musical Goods, (all suitable for Xmas presents), at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s Music Store. *

Black and Tan Cigars,

Smoke "Creme de la Creme" Cigars.

—It is wise to provide against emergencies which are liable to arise in every family. In sudden attacks of cold, asthma, croup, etc., a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral will prove a never failing remedy. *

Creme de la Creme Cigars; A. B. Gray & Co., Agents.

—A grand concert, by special request, will be given by Madame Christine de la Mothe, of this city, in Hart's opera house, Vancouver, next Wednesday evening, Dec. 28, commencing at 8 o'clock. She will be assisted by local and Victoria amateurs on that occasion. A treat is in store for the Vancouverites, who intend giving the Madame and her assistance a warm reception and a bumper house.

—There is no doubt about the honest worth of Ayer's Sarsaparilla as a blood purifier. Thousands, who have been benefitted by its use, will attest its virtues. This remedy cures liver and kidney complaint, and eradicates every trace of disease from the system. *

—A Washington dispatch of the 13th inst., announces that an order was issued that day by the Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service to-day: Commencing at once, an additional separation of mail for Canada should be made, to contain British Columbia, Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, to be labelled, "Canada, Northwest Territories, via St. Paul." The remainder of the Provinces, except Quebec and Ontario, are to be labelled, "Canada, Eastern Provinces." General order 250, of March 31, 1887, is modified in accordance herewith.

The only place in the city for a glass of British Beer on draught is the Occidental Hotel. XXX Edinburgh

Did You See Them Yet?

Those beautiful Langtry French kid button boot. For cut, fit and elegance, they are unsurpassed. Also, the Louis XIV. kid boots and slippers. They were made to the order of H. Mansell, of the British Columbia Boot and Shoe store, Government street, opposite post office.

THEY ARE JUST LOVELY. *

The Mayoralty.

There will probably be a hard fight for the mayoralty this year, but it will not compare with the rush for the new and elegant lines of Xmas goods offered by the B. C. Stationery Co.

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* GEO. H. MAYNARD'S

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We have never seen as fine a line of photograph albums, photo, screens and photo, easels as are displayed by the B. C. Stationery Co. That is what everyone is saying.

Cold Weather.

Ladies', Misses', and Gents' THICK GERMAN FELT SHOES, just in time for the season, at the B. C. Boot & Shoe Store, opposite the post office.
* H. MANSELL.

Xmas Presents.

Nothing better or more acceptable for a Xmas present than your photograph. Sit now and avoid hurry and delay.
HALL & LOWE,
The leading photographers, Govt St.*

Good Sport.

Messrs. Pearson and Campbell have returned to the city after a few weeks shooting at Mud Bay. They succeeded in bagging six hundred ducks and about sixty geese.

Reciprocity.

Anderson & Hastie, Fort Street, are prepared to give in return for cash all kinds of furniture, including Parlor and Bedroom suits, Lounges, Easy Chairs, Oil Paintings, Pictures, etc., specially suitable for Xmas presents. *

The C. P. R. Fleet.

A Glasgow dispatch announces that Sir. George Stephen has awarded the contract for building three steel steamers of 3,000 tons burthen each for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The steamers are to be built at Fairfield's yard on the Clyde, and will be used in the Canadian Pacific and Japanese service.

Drug Store.

Mr. Blanchard, having purchased Mr. Atwood's interest in the firm of R. Atwood & Co., can be found at his store on Government street, next door to Neufelder & Ross. Drugs, Chemicals, Toilet Articles, Patent Medicines, etc. Prescriptions compounded. M. G. BLANCHARD.*

What Mr. Grant Says on the Mayoralty Question.

I would advise all my friends to go to the B. C. Stationery Company to get their Xmas presents. They will find them cheap and elegant.

Obituary.

Mr. John Henry Pitts passed peacefully away to his final home, this morning, at the residence of his son, Mr. S. J. Pitts, Fort street. The deceased had reached the biblical age of three score and ten and ended a long and useful life. He was a native of Teignmouth, Devonshire, Eng. The remains will be taken to San Francisco by to-morrow's steamer for interment.

The Place for Jewelry.

Jewelry can be seen at J. Dassonville & Co.'s store. All the latest styles in earrings, brooches, necklaces, lockets, and ladies and gents gold and silver watches. Also the largest stock of enamel platedware this side of San Francisco. Give us a call. *

Bandsmen, Read This.

Messrs. C. A. LOMBARD & Co. are now ready to supply you with instruments made by F. Besson & Co., of London, at 15 per cent. less than any other dealers in the province. Send in your orders direct to us and save money. *

Heavily Fined.

In Toronto on the evening of Sunday, the 11th inst., in the Salvation Army temple there was a big row. Three young men, bent upon raising a row, named Herbert Hart, George Maybee and Thos Smith, were present, and on desiring to get out were refused, on the ground that it was against the rules. They endeavored to force their way out, and a fight ensued, in which several members of the army and the captain took part. There was great excitement, several ladies fainting, and a panic seemed imminent, but the three young fellows were overpowered and handed over to the police. At the police court Hart was fined $15 and costs or sixty days, and Smith and Maybee $3 and costs or thirty days.

Presentation.

R. P. McLennan, Vice-Grand of Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., was the recipient last evening of a handsome testimonial in the form of a magnificent cathedral clock together with an address, which referred to his recent happy union with one of the fairest daughters of River John, N. S. Mr. McLennan and his bride were waited upon at their residence, James Bay, by the Noble Grand and a number of other members of the lodge, who passed a very pleasant hour away. Mr. and Mrs. McLennan were taken completely by surprise, but the former made a neat little reply in which he thanked his brothers in the warmest terms.

On View.

XMAS GOODS FOR THE HOLIDAYS, just opened out—a new lot. At G. W. A. LAWSON'S, Jeweler, Government street. *

THOSE POLICE UNIFORMS.

Eight Dollar Suits Supplied to the City at the Rate of $23 Apiece.

Our versatile contemporary endeavors to dispose of an interesting question with the mild remark that "THE TIMES does not like the police in their new uniforms." The indifference shown to the subject by the *Colonist*, or the Chairman of the Police Committee, who for all practical purposes may be treated as one and the same, will scarcely be appreciated by the tax paying public. The new police uniforms we stated in Tuesday's issue could be purchased in the east by the car load for $12 per suit. That the statement was well within the truth can be verified by any one who desires to test the matter, by making enquiries at some of our leading clothing establishments. Were the Chairman of the Police Committee to call on a prominent firm in the Masonic Temple, Douglas street, known as the Variety Store, he will find cloth quite equal to that supplied in the police uniforms, which the firm offer to make into good fitting suits for $8 each. Should the doughty Councillor desire to treat himself to a pair of pantaloons, only, of the same material which he considers as well calculated to protect the policeman's body from the wintry winds and rain, he can have them 24 hours after he leaves his measure at a cost of but $2.75. Now the interesting part of this question is that these $8 uniforms are charged to the city at the rate of $26 each; that is what they cost the taxpayer. Allowing $3 for the helmets there is $15 on each suit, or $150 on the ten unaccounted for. Into whose pocket did the extra sum go? We pause for a reply from the immaculate Chairman of the Police Committee.

Skipped.

Three men belonging to H. M. S. Wild Swan deserted Wednesday night. They stole a boat belonging to a resident of Esquimalt. A pursuing party from the man-of-war went after them but returned without the deserters.

The Boys Know.

"Say Jim, old Sandy Claus
Has com'ed ter town;
You can't guess where he'll stay."
"Oh! down to a great big store, I guess
Where they make a fine display."
"Not much, he won't,
They are all too dear;
Old Sandy don't make yer pay;
He'll stop up ter the CHEAP VARIETY
Store,
Where they GIVE the Toys away.
dec19 6t

The C. P. R. Co.'s Bond.

The U. S. Secretary of the Treasury has transmitted to the House all the papers in connection with the founding of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company. That company entered into a traffic arrangement some time ago with the Canadian Pacific Railroad Company for transportation of merchandise between San Francisco and points in the United States, the latter passing through Canada under bonded locks and seals of the Customs department of the Dominion. The department granted the request of the company according to sections 3000 and 3001 of the revised statutes. The bond is for the amount of $300,000, Charles Goodall, George C. Perkins and John Rosenfield being the sureties, each in the sum of $100,000. The latter swore last June that he was worth $100,000 over and beyond all debts and liabilities.

Harkin's, the Skipper.

The Seattle *Post-Intelligencer* announces that no tragedy has occurred in connection with the skedaddling of Mr. Harkins from Vancouver. He is in Seattle well and hearty, although not so talkative as usual. On Tuesday evening last he was met in a restaurant on Commercial street by a reporter of that paper. He had his hat drawn down over his eyes and was engaged in figuring with a lead pencil and a large sheet of paper, probably trying to cipher out whether he had made or lost money on the goods. At any rate, as the reporter approached and spoke to him, he folded up his paper as if alarmed lest the contents might be seen. At that time the news of his disappearance from Vancouver had not been received, and the reporter, consequently, did not force an interview. Mr. Harkins was perfectly sober, but not in the least talkative. His exact indebtedness in Vancouver is not yet known.

The Mud Scraper.

As a result of an eloquent discussion in the Council last Wednesday evening on the unpromising subject of mud scraping, a test of the machine was made this morning on Douglas and Yates streets. His Worship Mayor Fell, Couns Grant, Vigelius, Styles and Coughlan, officers of the Corporation, rival trades, men and reporters were present. The mud scraper, manufactured by Mr. John Robertson, which has been the cause of more or less mud throwing, was brought out and tried before them. The first test was made on a difficult part of Douglas street, where the bottom was poor and the mud stiff and clogging. The scraper did its work well, gathering the mud up cleanly so as to be easily gathered and carted off. Another test was made on Yates street, where the mud was softer, with the same satisfactory result. "Works better than it did before," said Coun. Styles. "Does very well," observed His Worship. "Not bad"—Coun. Coughlan. "What better do you want," Coun. Vigelius. "Works well"—Coun. Grant. Mr. Robertson has made these machines in the old country, so that one got up for the city was no new thing to him.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Edwin Johnson, Q. C., S. M.)

A Chinaman named Kee Yuen was charged by Officer Robb with carrying a bowie knife in his sleeve. The arresting officer stated that between 5 and 6 o'clock, in company with Officer Mitten and special constable Stewart he went out to find the prisoner. Officer Stewart caught the prisoner by the left arm; witness saw prisoner raise his right hand; seized him and took the bowie knife produced from his sleeve. Prisoner is a stranger. A large number of Chinese were present, but they were afraid to point out the prisoner.

His Honor called attention to the Act which states that it is unlawful to expose for sale bowie knives and other deadly weapons.

Officer Mitten testified that he accompanied the officers and arrested prisoner; he had a naked knife in his sleeve and a scabbard in his coat pocket; prisoner was standing on the sidewalk on Cormorant street; a large number of Chinamen congregated around but were afraid of the prisoner.

The Chinaman said two or three Chipamen in a pawn shop wanted to shoot him; three men wanted to murder him; some men stuck the knife in his sleeve.

Supt. Bloomfield said the prisoner formerly lived in New Westminster; for some time he resided in Victoria and has been going around threatening to kill Chinamen until they gave him money.

The prisoner was fined $25 or one month.

The public should not miss seeing the Exhibition at the QUEEN'S MARKET TO-NIGHT. Grand Illumination.

INCOMING PASSENGERS.

The Umatilla sailed from San Francisco this morning with the following passengers on board for this port: W L Claussen, Mrs O Steers, Mrs W Walsh, Mrs W. Wise, R Cunningham and Wm Lord.

—Our enterprising morning contemporary has an amusing description of a goose with a scornful "quack, quack." The "crowing hen" has long ago become an historic character, but this goose with a "quack" is evidently a fresh foreboding of evil come to carry fear and consternation into a superstitious world.

—Mr. George Jones, of McPherson's station, who is in town, reports that the bridge at Rock creek, near Findlay's ranch, on the Victoria-Nanaimo wagon road, has been washed out. This completely obstructs any travel over the road as it is impossible to get a horse over the creek.

Cork Soled

Boots, for Ladies and Gentlemen, at ERSKINE'S BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM, corner Government and Johnson Sts. *

Passengers Arriving.

By the Princess Louise from Vancouver—S H Noland, W S Moore, Annie Leak, J Braden, J Colclarippe, G Robertson, O Silverman, Mrs D W Higgins, Miss Higgins, T Burke, A J Hastings, B H Daniel, T H Tuck, J H Todd, J Dyer, A Watts, G V Heathcote, Capt Bradford and wife, Dr Powell, S H Brown, Mrs J C Keith, Capt Urquhart, Mrs McLean, T F Sinclair, J Hobberts, Capt Irving, J B Lovell, F Devlin, E A Johnson, F G Vernon, W H Howell, and J H Brown.

By the stmr Olympian from the Sound—H C Beck, A Smith, H Bassett, Macadam, R A Shore, E S Putnan, M Humber, M E Lyons, J F Brown, L Humber, Wm Shanklin, C Holloway, C D Chaand, Wm Cox, T C Edwards, R F Linton, D Dixon, J F Whitney, G D Woodcock, A Swenson, J Follett, Mr and Mrs O'Brien and infant, one Indian and three Chinamen.

Consignees.

Per the Olympian from the Sound to-day—Beaubeart & Co, A & W Wilson, Colbert & W, E G Prior, H G Walker, Fell & Co, J Ritter, J Weiler, McQuade S J Pitts, Van Volkenburgh & B, W H Phillips, Van Volkenburgh H H Co, N & Ross.

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LOST.—On Thursday last, from my residence, North Park street, a Saint Bernard Puppy Dog, a month old, white face and nearly white body. Any person having possession of same will oblige by returning him to me.
dec23 6t J. P. WALLS.

Masquerade Ball!

Don't forget the Masquerade Ball to be given by Professor OLIVER, at his DANCING ACADEMY, on FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 27. Maskers are requested to give their names and the Character they represent at the door.
dec22 td

FOR THE COUNCIL

To the Electors of Johnson Street Ward:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—

Having been requested by many electors in Johnson Street Ward, which I had the honor of representing in 1886, to again offer myself as a candidate, I have consented to do so, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence. I entertain the hope that my record as a Councillor and as a citizen have been such that you will again elect me.

Respectfully yours,
M. HUMBER.

Victoria, Dec. 23. dec23

Shooting Match.

TURKEYS! TURKEYS!

A SHOOTING MATCH for Turkeys will be held at the
GOLDSTREAM HOUSE,
On Monday, 26th inst.,
CHRISTMAS DAY.
Also a Prize of $15 will be given for the best Rifle Shot.
dec14 10t JAMES PRAIR.

RAFFLE.

A Fine Lot of Turkeys and Geese

From the farm of Wm. Wales, Millstream, will be Raffled at the
OLD SHIP INN,
On Friday and Saturday Eve'gs Next.
dec19 6t.

SPLENDID BUSINESS CHANCE.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned for the purchase of the business, liquors, furnishings, license and good will of the Cosmopolitan Hotel, Fort street, up to

WEDNESDAY, 28th INSTANT.

Parties in search of a business chance should give this offer their prompt consideration.
JOHN BERRYMAN.
Victoria, Dec. 5, 1887. dec5.

NOTICE.

DURING MY ABSENCE FROM THE PROVINCE, Mr. Frank Campbell, Sr., holds my Power of Attorney.
P. MURPHY.

NEW TO-DAY.

XMAS CARDS

GIVEN AWAY

Or the Next Thing to It

We have again reduced our 5 cent Cards to

CENTS | 15 | CENTS

PER DOZEN.

All others in proportion. It is needless to say that this is far below the

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But we still have an immense Stock and

THEY MUST GO.

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Photo and Autograph Albums.
Photo Frames, Easels and Screens.
Ladies' Hand-bags, Purses, Card Cases and Work Boxes.
Gents' Toilet Sets, Shaving Sets, Wallets and Card Cases.
Family Bibles, Teacher's Bibles and Presentation Bibles.
Portable and Library Desks, Inkstands and Writing Sets.
Smokers' Sets, Cigar and Cigarette Cases.
Gold Pens and Pencils. We have the largest stock in the city.
Worcester's and Webster's Unabridged Dictionaries.
Standard Authors in Boxes, bound in Cloth, Half Calf or Half Morrocco.
Poems, Annual Juvenile and Toy Books.

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the Greatest Variety and the

Lowest Prices

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B. C. STATIONERY COM'Y,
J. B. FERGUSON.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

VANCOUVER WATER WORKS.

TENDERS FOR DAM.

SEALED TENDERS for the construction of a Dam and Weir on the Capilano river for the Vancouver Water Works Company will be received by the undersigned up to noon on Friday, the 20th of January, 1888.

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms of tender obtained on application at the office of the Company, Vancouver, on and after Tuesday, 27th day of December, 1887.

No tender will be received except on one of the printed forms, with the schedule of quantities correctly priced and moneyed out, nor unless accompanied with a certified cheque payable to the undersigned as Secretary of the Company, for an amount equal to five per cent. of the total amount of tender. Each tender to be marked "Tender for Dam," and addressed to the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

It is recommended that each person bidding shall visit the site personally, or by competent agent, ascertain the character of the river as to floods, low water, etc., and obtain all the information necessary to enable him to make an intelligent proposal.

Bidders will state whether these recommendations have been complied with.

All available information will be given on application at the office of the Company, Vancouver.

J. W. McFARLAND,
Secretary Vancouver Water Works Co.
Vancouver, Dec. 23, 1887. dec23 td

CIVIC HOLIDAYS.

Notice is hereby given, that on Monday the 26th inst., and Monday, January the 2nd, 1888, the offices of the Corporation will be closed for public business.

JAMES FELL,
de23 Mayor.

To the Ratepayers of James Bay Ward.

GENTLEMEN: Having been requested by a large number of Ratepayers, I hereby announce myself a Candidate for Councillor for James Bay Ward.

dec23 td GEO. POWELL.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

A TEACHER WISHES TO KNOW of a vacancy. Address "C. B." care of TIMES. dec21 dw

OVERCOATS!

Clearing : Out : Overcoats

Boys' Overcoats, all at $3.00 Each.
Youths' Overcoats, from $4.00 Each.
80 Men's Overcoats, at $6, $8 and $10 Each.

The above would be splendid value at $10, $12 and $14 Each.

Russell, McDonald & Co.'s

CHEAP VARIETY STORE

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CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS!

JOHN WEILER'S

IMMENSE SHOW ROOMS

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Every Evening During the Week.

Come all and See the Large Variety of New and Useful Articles. There is nothing nicer for a CHRISTMAS PRESENT than a Useful Article of

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And Other Articles too numerous to mention.
Call Early and See for Yourself.

Beautiful Illuminations Every Evening During the Week.

John Weiler, - Fort Street.
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XMAS. XMAS.

ANNUAL ILLUMINATION

OF THE

THE QUEEN'S MARKET EXHIBITION

TO-NIGHT!

Commons of Canada,

REQUISITION.

VICTORIA, B. C.,
22nd December, 1887.

To Edward Gawlor Prior, Esq., M.P.P.,

Recognizing the energy and ability with which you have conducted your private business in this city, and aware of the aptitude for political life which you have evinced while a member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Victoria City, we urgently request you to extend your sphere of political usefulness to the City and District, by becoming a candidate for the seat in the House of Commons of Canada, rendered vacant by the resignation of Noah Shakespeare, Esq., and pledge you our cordial support in the prosecution of the election contest, should a contest be rendered necessary.

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Yours very sincerely,

J S Helmcken,	Theo Davie,
R P Rithet,	Thos R Smith,
W H Ellis,	A G Sargison,
Jno B Ferguson,	Robt Ward,
G Byrnes,	Edgar Crow Baker,
George Kirsop,	S P Tuck,
R H Benoni,	J Braden,
D R Harris,	M R Smith,
E B C Hannington,	D E Campbell,
John Coughlan,	Geo Morrison,
J R Turner,	D W Higgins,
J Davies,	W H Brooks,
H Saunders,	Thos Shotbolt,
Hy Noble,	R Borthwick,
F Carne, senr.,	H P Heisterman,
Geo Wynne,	Chas Hayward,
Geo Winter,	C J King,
Wm Buckett,	John Smith,
Jas Andrews,	J E Phillips,
Jonathan Bullen,	A W Jones,
Frank Barnard,	Henry Crossdaile,
Leonard H Solly,	H K Prior,
Wm Hammond,	D M Eberts,
W J Taylor,	C W H Thomson,
Wm Dalby,	G F Mathews,
Geo W Wynne,	E Norris,
L Goodacre,	W McNish,
A H Erskine,	Wm Harrison,
John R Gascome,	David C Heal,
Wm Field,	James Russell,
Samuel Clay,	Geo Dunsall,
Alfred S Gill,	Fred Carne, jr,
Wm Munsie,	G L Simpson,
Thos W Pierre,	John J Wilson,
J K Greenwood,	H Mansell,
Jno Teague,	W Heathorn,
F Evans,	M W Waitt,
H Kent,	W H Charles,
E West,	A Heron,
C E Renouf,	J Nicholles,
Geo Barrett,	Joseph Dewsnap,
John Kinsman,	James Smith,
John Woods,	John Pierce,
Wm Stark,	R B McMicking,
A J Clark,	Daniel McLean,
A McLean, jr,	Daniel Munroe,
Henry J Gamble,	H B W Aikman,
Fred Paine,	John M Read,
C J Leggett,	John Nicholson,
Fred Shakespeare,	

And over a hundred others which will appear in to-morrow's issue.

Major Prior's formal acceptance will also appear in Saturday's issue. dec23

THE GROTTO

As usual, TURKEYS and GEESE, to commence FRIDAY NIGHT, 23rd, at 6 o'clock, and to continue until Saturday night.

☞ A little more Bad Whiskey left.

WM. McNIFFE,
dec22 tf Manager.

MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

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